

## The Asan Plenum 2018, “Illiberal International Order”

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SEOUL, April 9, 2018 – The Asan Institute for Policy Studies (<http://en.asaninst.org/>) will host the *Asan Plenum 2018* on April 24 (Tue.) – 25 (Wed.) at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Hannam-dong, Seoul. The title of this year’s *Plenum* is “Illiberal International Order.”

Edwin Fuelner, Founder of The Heritage Foundation, will deliver the keynote address. The *Plenum* will bring together over 100 distinguished experts, policymakers, scholars, and members of the media including:

- Paul Wolfowitz, Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defense and President of the World Bank
- James Steinberg, Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State
- Karel De Gucht, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs for Belgium
- Funabashi Yoichi, Editor-in-Chief, *Asahi Shimbun*
- Daniel Russel, Former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs
- Victor Cha, Senior Adviser and Korea Chair, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)
- Wang Dong, Professor, Peking University School of International Studies
- Hugh White, Professor, Australia National University

This year’s *Plenum* addresses the myriad challenges threatening the liberal international order (LIO) today. In the U.S. and Britain, the rise of populism has called into question the West’s commitment to uphold the rules-based global order. Nondemocratic regimes in China and Russia are rewriting these rules and undermining the institutions that have sustained them. Outliers, such as North Korea and Iran, are stoking regional tensions, while transnational issues including terrorism, cyber security, and geoeconomics continue to test the viability and endurance of the LIO. To discuss these issues and many more, the 2018 *Asan Plenum* will feature four plenary sessions and 14 panel sessions.

The *Asan Plenum* is a yearly gathering of the world’s leading experts and scholars. In addressing the most pressing global issues, the *Asan Plenum* aims to impact the policy making process and enable the international community to better deal with the challenges it faces.

**\* Interview requests with speakers:**

Please send us **the attached interview requests form** in ‘Appendix 2’ to [communications@asaninst.org](mailto:communications@asaninst.org) by 17:00 Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**\* Press Registration and Badge:**

- Please be advised that, due to security reasons, only credentialed members of the press who RSVP by **Friday, April 20th** to [communications@asaninst.org](mailto:communications@asaninst.org) will be allowed admission.

- Also note that only members of the **media with an official ASAN press badge will be permitted for entry**. You should carry your official press badge and/or press credentials and a personal ID with you while on the venue.

-Due to limited space, members of the South Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Unification press corps will be given priority admission. We ask for your understanding.

\* For participants list, panel descriptions, and up-to-date information, please visit our website at [www.asanplenum.org](http://www.asanplenum.org).

\* All sessions will be conducted in English with simultaneous Korean interpretation.

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*Asan Plenum 2018*

**“Illiberal International Order”**

1. **Host :** The Asan Institute for Policy Studies (<http://en.asaninst.org/>)
2. **Title:** “*Illiberal International Order*”
3. **Date & Time:** April 24-25, 2018
  - Day 1 : 09:30~22:30
  - Day 2 : 09:00~17:00
4. **Venue:** The Grand Hyatt Hotel, Seoul, Korea
5. **Plenum Agenda**

Day 1: Tuesday, April 24, 2016	
<b>Opening Ceremony</b> 09:30-10:25	
<b>Plenary Session I</b> 10:30-12:00	<b>The Rise and Fall of LIO</b>
<b>Session 1</b> 13:00-14:30	ROK-U.S. Alliance
	Populism v. LIO: U.S.
	One Belt One Road
<b>Plenary Session II</b> 14:45-16:15	<b>The U.S.-China Strategic Competition</b>

<b>Session 2</b> 16:30-18:00	China, Russia and LIO
	U.S.-Japan Alliance
	Cyber Security
<b>Night Sessions</b> 21:00-22:30	Sharp Power
	Values Diplomacy
<b>Day 2: Wednesday, April 25, 2016</b>	
<b>Plenary Session III</b> 09:00-10:30	<b>Goeconomics</b>
<b>Session 3</b> 10:45-12:15	Indo-Pacific and LIO
	Populism v. LIO: EU
	NATO
<b>Lunch &amp; Book Launch</b> 12:15-13:25	
<b>Session 4</b> 13:30-15:00	Northeast Asia and LIO
	Middle East and LIO
	Southeast Asia and LIO
<b>Plenary Session IV</b> 15:15-16:45	<b>The Outlier: North Korea</b>
<b>16:45-17:00</b>	Closing Remarks

## Appendix 2

### Interview Request Form for Asan Plenum 2018

**\* Please note that should there be more than 4 media requests for a speaker, the interview will be switched to a Roundtable or a Press Conference.**

No.	Speakers	Media	Correspondent	Mobile Number	Email Address	Attendance on 24th or 25th (Y/N)
1	Michael Green					
1-1	Book Launch <i>By More Than Providence</i> by Michael Green (12:30-13:25, Wed., Apr. 25th)	Attendance on Book Launch(Y/N):				
2	Bonnie Glaser					
3	Gil Rozman					
4	Martin Fackler					
5	T.J. Pempel					
6	Diederik Vandewalle					
7	Alexander Vershbow					
8	Ravi Velloor					
9	Joseph Kéchichian					
10	Gary Samore					
11	James Lindsay					
12	Mohamed Jawhar					
13	Tanaka Hitoshi					
14	Yamaguchi Noboru					
15	Anna Fifield					
16	Benn Steil					
17	Nishino Junya					
18	Evans Revere					
19	Soeya Yoshihide					
20	Ali Aslan					
21	Philip Stephens					
22	Funabashi Yoichi					
23	Zhao Quansheng					
24	Simon Long					
25	Alexander Lukin					
26	Fukagawa Yukiko					
27	William Overholt					
28	Bruce Bennett					

29	Charles Kupchan					
30	Yukon Huang					
31	Karel De Gucht					
32	Adriana Elisabeth					
33	Hugh White					
34	Walter Russell Mead					
35	Richard Weitz					
36	Kent Calder					
37	Edwin Feulner					
38	François Godement					
39	Douglas Paal					
40	Neal Pollard					
41	Andrei Lankov					
42	Michael Sulmeyer					
43	Patrick Cronin					
44	Mark Lippert					
45	Siavash Saffari					
46	Christopher Walker					
47	Vasil Sikharulidze					
48	Hosoya Yuichi					
49	Peter Harrell					
50	John Park					
51	Paul Wolfowitz					
52	Zhu Feng					
53	Dino Patti Djalal					
54	Ernest Bower					
55	Edward Luce					
56	Daniel Fried					
57	James Steinberg					
58	Wang Dong					
59	Joseph Liow					

For the complete list of participants and their bios,

please visit [http://en.asaninst.org/events\\_category/asan-plenum/sub\\_category/participant-biographies/](http://en.asaninst.org/events_category/asan-plenum/sub_category/participant-biographies/)

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### Asan Plenum 2018: Participants from overseas

#### U.S.

- Edwin J. Feulner, Founder and Former President, The Heritage Foundation
- Paul Wolfowitz, Visiting Scholar, American Enterprise Institute (AEI); Former President, World Bank; Former Deputy Secretary of Defense
- James Steinberg, Professor of Social Science, International Affairs, Syracuse University; Former Deputy Secretary of State
- Victor Cha, Senior Adviser and Korea Chair at the Center of Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Director of the Asian studies program at Georgetown University; Former Director for Asian affairs in the National Security Council, The White House
- Daniel Russel, Vice President for International Security and Diplomacy, The Asia Society Policy Institute; Former Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Former Senior Director for Asian Affairs in the National Security Council, The White House
- Gary Samore, Executive Director, Harvard Belfer Center; Former Arms Control and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD), The White House
- Aaron Friedberg, Professor of Politics and International affairs, Princeton University
- William Overholt, Senior Research Fellow, Asia Center, Harvard University
- Michael Green, Senior Vice President for Asia and Japan Chair, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS); Director of Asian Studies, Georgetown University
- Christopher Nelson, Editor-in-chief, The Nelson Report
- Mark Lippert, Vice President, Boeing International; Former United States Ambassador to the Republic of Korea
- Charles Kupchan, Senior fellow, Council on Foreign Relations (CFR); Professor of International Affairs, Georgetown University; Former Senior Director for European Affairs in the National Security Council, The White House
- David Sanger, Chief Washington Correspondent, *The New York Times*

## China

- Zhu Feng, Executive Director of the China Center and Professor of International Relations, Nanjing University
- Wang Dong, Professor in School of International Studies and Director of the Center for Northeast Asian Strategy, Peking University

## Japan

- Funabashi Yoichi, Co-founder and Chairman of Asia Pacific Initiative; Former Editor-in-chief, *The Asahi Shimbun*
- Fukagawa Yukiko, Professor of Political science and Economics, Waseda University
- Soeya Yoshihide, Professor of Political science, Keio University
- Yamaguchi Noboru, Professor at Graduate School of International Relations, International University of Japan; Former Commanding General of the JGSDF Ground Research and Development Command
- Hosoya Yuichi, Professor of Faculty of Law, Keio University; Senior Fellow, The Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research

## Others

- Karel De Gucht, President of the Institute for European Studies, Free University of Brussel(VUB); Former Deputy Prime Minister; Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of Belgium
- Vasil Sikharulidze, Executive Director, Atlantic Council of Georgia; Former Minister of Defense, Georgia
- Dino Patti Djalal, Founder, Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia; Former Presidential Spokesperson; Former Indonesian Ambassador to the U.S., Former Deputy Foreign Minister
- François Godement, Senior Policy Fellow and Director, Asia and China Programme, European Council on Foreign Relations
- Hugh White, Professor of Strategic Studies at the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, Australian National University
- Mohamed Jawhar, Deputy Director-General, Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia
- Philip Stephens, Associate Editor and Chief Political Commentator, *Financial Times*



- Ravi Velloor, Associate Editor, *The Straits Times*
- Alexander Lukin, Director, Center for East Asian and SCO Studies, Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russia
- Mesut Özcan, Deputy Chair of Center for Strategic Research of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Turkey (SAM)
- Alice Ekman, Research Fellow, Center for Asian Studies, French Institute for International Relations (IFRI)